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Mr. Donald S. Welsh, Regional Administrator U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

Re: Application for Revised Authorization, Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Program

Dear Mr. Welsh:

I am pleased to submit the Commonwealth of Virginia's application for revised authorization for the Virginia Hazardous Waste Management Program. This application includes a Program Description, an Attorney General's Statement, and a Memorandum of Agreement, all with attachments. Copies of all applicable statutes and regulations are attached to the Program Description. The Attorney General's Statement has been signed by Senior Assistant Attorney General Roger L. Chaffe on behalf of Attorney General Jerry W. Kilgore.

On September 29, 2000, the Commonwealth received final authorization for its hazardous waste management program. Since then, the Commonwealth's statutes and regulations have been updated to include federal regulatory changes through July 1, 2001. Also, several Commonwealth initiated changes have been developed to further protect the citizens and the environment. This application has been developed to demonstrate continuing equivalency of Virginia's program with the federal program, as defined by Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act.

I look forward to your approval to continue the implementation of this vital program in the Commonwealth.

Very truly yours,

Robert G. Burnley

Cc: Roger L. Chaffe, Esq.